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Richard Corey
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Re: Comments on the Draft Community Air Protection Blueprint

Dear Mr. Corey:

SCAQMD staff appreciates the opportunity to provide comments on the draft Community Air Protection Blueprint. We would like to highlight some key areas of concern and recommendations for moving forward with AB 617 program implementation.

We understand that this program must be implemented under very tight timelines, so the focus of our efforts must be on actions that will provide the most useful information for achieving program goals. To ensure better efficiency, we recommend that program requirements in these guidance documents are structured such that AB 617 implementation efforts do not duplicate existing efforts at the air districts and at the Air Resources Board, and that the requirements in these documents do not go beyond the scope of the statute. We would like to emphasize the importance of managing expectations in terms of what this program can reasonably accomplish, and the challenges given the limited resource allocations thus far.

SCAQMD staff looks forward to collaborating with your staff, as well as community members, industry and other stakeholders to expand our efforts in improving community air quality through this important program. We welcome the opportunity to discuss these comments and provide more specific suggestions on elements of the Blueprint document.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Wayne Nastri'.

Wayne Nastri
Executive Officer